United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

| APPLICATION NO. | FILING DATE | FIRST NAMED INVENTOR | ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. | CONFIRMATION NO. |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 10/717,168 | 11/18/2003 | David E. Orr | 40551.0002US01 | 5991 |
| 23552 MERCHANT & | 7590 11/23/200° & GOULD PC | 7 | EXAMINER | |
| P.O. BOX 2903 | 3 | | TRUONG, THANHNGA B | |
| MINNEAPOLI | S, MN 55402-0903 | | ART UNIT | 5991 EXAMINER |
| | | | 2135 | |
| | | | | |
| | | | MAIL DATE | DELIVERY MODE |
| | | | 11/23/2007 | PAPER |

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

| | | Application No. | Applicant(s) | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| _ | | 10/717,168 | ORR, DAVID E. | | | | |
| Response | to Rule 312 Communication | Examiner | Art Unit | | | | |
| | | Thanhnga B. Truong | 2135 | | | | |
| Th | The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address – | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| . 🗵 The amendment filed on 14 September 2007 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been: | | | | | | | |
| a) 🛛 entei |] entered. | | | | | | |
| b) 🗌 enter | entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention. | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) | | | | | | |
| | and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue. | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| e) 🔲 ente | e) 🔲 entered in part. See explanation below. | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | · | • | | | | | |
| | , | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | Thankny B. M. | | | | |
| | | | • | | | | |

THANHNGA TRUONG PRIMARY EXAMINER

Reponse to Rule 312 Communication

T. B. Truong AU 2135